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| Application No.: 10/801,009 |) | Group Art Unit: 2883 |
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| Filed: March 16, 2004 |) | Confirmation No. 1599 |
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| For: OPTICAL CONNECTOR USING AN |) | |
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| SPECIAL FIBER PORTION AS A |) | |
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RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 25, 2006, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following:

Request for a One-Month Extension of Time begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Request for Reconsideration begins on page 7 of this paper

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Request for a One-Month Extension of Time to Respond:

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed January 25, 2006, until and including May 25, 2006. Applicants are enclosing a check in the amount of \$120.00 covering the requisite large entity fee for a one-month extension of time. Nevertheless, in the event of any variance between the fees enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 02-0375.



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| FEE TRANSMITTAL [MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION] | | | | Complete If Known | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | First Named Inventor | | Go Kaneko et al. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Examiner Name | | Dinh D. Chiem | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Total Amount Of Payment | | (\$) | | 120.00 | | Attorney Docket No. | | 074913.0119 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one) | | | | FEE CALCULATION (continued) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No. 02-0375 in the name of Baker Botts L.L.P. <input type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 02-0375 . | | | | 3. ADDITIONAL FEES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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